Marijuana Advisory Team (MAT) Meeting Minutes

December 15, 2021 at 2:00 PM

Location of Meeting: Executive conference room and via Zoom

Guests: None

MAT Team Present:

Thatcher W. Kezer III, COO

Officer Keith Strange, Police Department

Dana Haagensen, Director of Administration, Fire Department

Robin E. Williams, Environmental Health Manager, Department of Public Health

Michael A. Tusino, Director, Inspectional Services Department (entered at 2:17 PM)

Shane O'Brien, Senior Planner, PCD

Mollie Amaral, Community Outreach Coordinator, PCD

Nawal Ahmed, CFO's Office

Legal Counsel:

Amanda Zuretti, Esq., Petrini & Associates, P.C., designee for City Solicitor

Minutes:

Mr. Kezer stated information regarding the Mayoral staff transition.

Mr. O'Brien stated that he would be going to a site visit for Life Essence, Inc. d/b/a Trulieve ("Trulieve") as they are planning to open soon and has been working with them regarding decision requirements. Mr. O'Brien also brought up the MAT minutes from the last few months that would need to be voted on.

Discussion took place regarding tracking time put into MAT to put into a spreadsheet, and discussion continued regarding the charges.

Mr. Kezer mentioned that a proposed amendment to the General Ordinance to increase the number of Marijuana Retail Establishments was submitted to the City Council.

Mr. Kezer stated that in next 6 months, 5 HCAs are up for expiration. Mr. Kezer stated that the MAT will need to take up what the requirements would be for renewal.

Thatcher Kezer moved to approve the MAT meeting minutes from August to November 2021. Dana Haagensen seconded. All in favor. Motion Passed.

Mr. Kezer asked about the status of Massachusetts Solventless Extraction, LLC's HCA application.

Mr. O'Brien stated that would need to apply to the Planning Board for Site Plan Review.

Meeting adjourned at 2:38 PM